



In re the Application of

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Appln. No.: 09/546,227

Filed: April 10, 2000

A CERAMIC SUPPORT CAPABLE OF SUPPORTING A CATALYST, A

CATALYST-CERAMIC BODY AND PROCESSES FOR PRODUCING THE

SAME

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Group Art Unit: 1754

Examiner: JOHNSON, E.

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 24, 2001, the time period for response having been extended by the three month extension of time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the Abstract with the revised Abstract attached hereto on a separate sheet.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1-72, 79, 100 and 101.

Please amend claims 73, 75-78, 80, 83, 84, 87-90, 92, 94-99, 102, and 103 as

follows:

(Amended) A catalyst-ceramic body comprising a catalyst component 73. directly supported on a ceramic support without a coating layer on a surface of the ceramic support.

(Amended) The catalyst-ceramic body according to claim 73, wherein said average distance between particles of said crystal component is in a range of 0.1 to 100nm.

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